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Incident Response Groupe

Groupe d'intervenrtion en cas d'incident

Minutes

A meeting of the Incident Response Group was held in Room 335-A, West Block, on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.

Procès-verbal

Une réunion du Groupe d'intervention en cas d'incident a eu lieu dans la pièce 335-A, édifice de l'Ouest, le mercredi 23 février 2022 à 10h30.

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Present

The Prime Minister
*(Mr. Trudeau),
in the Chair,
The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of
Finance
*(Ms. Freeland),
The Minister of Intergovernmental
Affairs, Infrastructure and
Communities
*(Mr. LeBlanc),
The President of the Queen’s Privy Council
for Canada and Minister of Emergency
Preparedness
*(Mr. Blair),
The Minister of Justice and Attorney
General of Canada
*(Mr. Lametti),
The Minister of National Defence
*(Ms. Anand),
The Minister of Public Safety
*(Mr. Mendicino),
The Minister of Transport
*(Mr. Alghabra).

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Also present

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Ms. L. Church
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and Minister of Finance),
Mr. A. Steinhouse
(Office of the Minister of Justice and
Attorney General of Canada),
Mr. M. Maka
(Office of the Minister of Transport),
Mr. M. Power
(Office of the Minister of National
Defence),
Ms. Z. Astravas
(Office of the President of the Queen’s
Privy Council for Canada and Minister
of Emergency Preparedness),
Mr. M. Power
(Office of the Minister of National
Defence),
Mr. P. Halley
(Finance Canada),
Mr. F. Daigle
(Justice Canada),
Mr. M. Keenan
(Transport Canada),
Mr. R. Stewart
(Public Safety Canada),

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La vice-première ministre et ministre
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*(Mme Freeland),
Le ministre des Affaires
Intergouvernementales, de l’Infrastructure et
des Collectivités
*(M. LeBlanc),
Le président du Conseil privé de la Reine
pour le Canada et ministre de la
Protection civile
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Le ministre des Transports
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Mr. D. Vigneault
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Mr. J. Ossowski
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Ms. K. Telford
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Mr. J. Broadhurst
Mr. J. Brodhead
Ms. S. Khalil
Mr. B. Chin
Mr. C. Ahmad
Ms. M. Michel
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Mr. M. Vandergrift
Ms. L. Baird
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Mr. S. Tupper
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GROUP

February 23, 2022
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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AGENDA

- 1. Operational & Threat Update
- 2. Thresholds for termination of the *Emergencies Act*

GROUPE
D’INTERVENTION
EN CAS D’INCIDENT

Le 23 février 2022
10h30 – 11h00

Visioconférence sécurisée

ORDRE DU JOUR

- 1. Mise à jour sur les opérations et les menaces
- 2. Seuils relatifs à la fin de l'application de la *Loi sur les mesures d'urgence*



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Opening Remarks

The Prime Minister opened the discussion by advising participants that the discussion would begin with an operational update and then move to a discussion on the readiness to revoke the *Emergencies Act*s.39

Operational & Threat Update

The Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) provided a situational update, noting that not much has changed in the Ottawa outskirts. Embrun remains clear, while some vehicles remain in the outskirts of Arnprior and in Arnprior proper. The RCMP has liaised with demonstrators in these locations who have indicated that they have no intention of returning to Ottawa. In Arnprior, demonstrators report that they are regrouping before heading home and some individuals who had their vehicles impounded for a minimum of seven days are waiting to be able to get their vehicles in order to vacate.

In Ottawa, there are some changes to the operational plan, with the number of additional public order units having been reduced. The RCMP will make a decision based on intelligence and protest activities about starting to de-mobilize resources over the weekend. The RCMP Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and Ottawa Police Service (OPS) remains focused on engaging the community to make them feel safe about returning to reclaim their downtown community. Social media continues to be monitored and intelligence efforts continue across the country. Notably, OPS has identified an online google map that showed the location of donors. The origins of the post remain unknown but are being investigated. The secure zone in Ottawa has been further reduced and the exclusion zone has not changed. There are no changes to the number of arrests or vehicle seizures.

Across the country, yesterday evening, Winnipeg police issued a notice to protesters gathered near the provincial legislature advising them that they had 24 hours to leave and providing a pamphlet outlining potential consequences of not doing so. The pamphlet mentioned enforcement under the federal *Emergencies Act* as one of the possible measures that police would use if protestors did not vacate the premise by 17:00 hrs CST. RCMP has reached in to offer assistance, with local police indicating that assistance is not needed at this time. An RCMP Commanding officer has spoken to Winnipeg police to see whether a revocation of the federal *Emergencies Act* would be problematic for Winnipegss.39

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A planned protest in New Brunswick was cancelled following the vote on the *Emergencies Act* in the House of Commons. There are planned convoys and rallies that may occur in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and British Columbia as well as other locations in Canada this coming weekend. RMCP continues to monitor the situation. Global Affairs Canada has reported to RCMP that a possible convoy is headed for Washington DC for the beginning or mid-March and could affect the Canadian embassy. RCMP and CBSA are monitoring this, including whether Canadians attempt to travel to the United States to join this protest.

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The RCMP has developed a communications strategy if the *Emergencies Act* is revoked to provide reassurances to Canadians that the situations are and will remain under control.

The Director of CSIS reported that current intelligence does not suggest any unmanageable threats at this time.

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Thresholds for termination of the Emergencies Act

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Concrete Actions

Category	OPI	Actions	New Data	Outcome Summary
Enforcement with New Authorities EMERGENCY MEASURES	RCMP	Will take enforcement action on <u>new</u> authorities when preferable to existing options.	Ottawa Police reporting 196 arrests in Ottawa for <i>Criminal Code</i> offenses related to the unlawful protest to date.	No specific arrests using new authorities. However, the entire Ottawa event is deemed an illegal act under the EA. 0 <u>known</u> arrests using new authorities
		Solicit or Client Priv.		Ottawa Police reporting 196 arrests in Ottawa for <i>Criminal Code</i> offenses related to the unlawful protest to date. Law enforcement in Ottawa, have been able to secure perimeters successfully without a need to employ any designations through the EA.
		Guidance to inform front line staff on the roll out and operationalization of select new tools on an urgent basis.		Solicitor-Client Priv. Distributed Feb 17, 2022 Placemat completed and shared with frontline officers in Ontario and all RCMP regions for fan out. Provides a clear guide in both official languages

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			The Ottawa Police Service reporting that 196 protesters have been arrested, of those, 110 were charged with a total of 389 Criminal Code offences.	The Ottawa Police Service reporting that 196 protesters have been arrested, of those, 110 were charged with a total of 389 Criminal Code offences.
	OPP / OPS / POJs	Will take enforcement action on <u>new</u> authorities when preferable to existing options.		The Ottawa Police Service reported the following enforcement actions since operations began to clear the illegal blockade in Ottawa on 18 January 2022: 115 vehicles towed 22 license plates seized 11 commercial vehicle operator registrations suspended (It is unknown if EA authorities were used). Feb 20, 2022 2 towing companies in Ottawa were compelled to provide service by law enforcement under EA authorities (20 February)
			The RCMP (Contract Policing) continues to manage checkpoints to limit unlawful access to POEs at Pacific Highway (BC) and possible checkpoints at St. Stephen (NB). The checkpoint at North portal was removed as of 8pm 22 Feb.	Since the EA was instituted, police of jurisdiction have worked to deter and prevent unlawful protests. This has included the engagement of convoys, presence at the vast majority of POEs when risks were elevated, patrols, and the implementation of checkpoints to limit unlawful protests at POEs or nearby trade corridors. Examples include: Checkpoints at locations like Pacific Highway (BC), North Portal (SK), and St. Stephen (NB)

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				- POJ intercepted and deterred 7 vehicles from starting a prohibited assembly in Windsor. (18 Feb) - The OPP intercepted and diverted a convoy (3 transport trucks and +/- 10 vehicles) near Pidgeon River POE (peaceful protests ensued) (19 Feb). - RCMP liaison officer engagement of convoys in Embrun, Arnprior, and Vankleek Hill, Ontario. (21 Feb)
		- Denial of entry at Ports of Entry to foreign nationals seeking to enter Canada to participate in a prohibited public assembly (balance of probabilities threshold). - Operational bulletin (OB) completed to provide guidance to staff on implementation of enforcement powers		2 known foreign nationals denied entry under Emergency Act provisions: 2 at Prescott POE, ON (Feb 19) Operational Blitz at POE Lacolle QC (Feb 18): Border staff increased referrals of US travelers; staff conducted 13 Enhanced Vigilance Exams; <u>No</u> travelers were denied entry due to EA requirements.
	CBSA	- Inland enforcement actions against foreign nationals to remove offenders. - Operational bulletin (OB) to provide guidance to staff on implementation of new inland enforcement measures on removing offenders.		0 <u>known</u> inland enforcement actions on foreign nationals
		CBSA liaison officers informing international community of new approach to promote awareness and engagement.		Completed Feb, 2022
		Trade corridors leading to Ports of Entry have been hardened including police presence as required, with actions at the Ambassador Bridge as a priority.		Completed Feb 17, 2022

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	IRCC	- Program Delivery Instructions (PDIs) to provide guidance to staff that will add new offences (and exemptions) when exercising existing authorities related to the immigration inadmissibility determination process. <i>Applicable indicators being tracked (weekly):</i> - Refusing Visas for any grounds, for foreign nationals/PRs who have committed offenses related to the protests, or intend to travel to Canada to contravene EA. - Minister of IRCC can use negative discretion (IRPA s.22.1) to deny entry to foreign nationals who are not inadmissible. - Minister of IRCC with authority to refuse to issue, cancel, or revoke passports in cases of passport fraud, passport-related criminality, where someone is charged with an indictable offence, when someone is subject to a term of imprisonment in Canada, or where someone has judicially-imposed restrictions on their travel. - Instances of information sharing with enforcement/security partners.		Completed Feb 18, 2022
		Immigration disincentives related to the new offences to be included in public communications and that IRCC will leverage existing authorities and information sharing processes with law enforcement and national security partners which could have consequences for future travel.		Completed Feb 18, 2022
		Identify on a case-by-case, exceptional, and individual basis, foreign nationals whose admission to Canada would be contrary to the national interest, and use existing Ministerial authority under Negative Discretion to deny entry to Canada (pre-arrival).		Implemented & Ongoing
			PSPC is on standby.	February 17, 2022 Space has been made available for towed vehicles and team is on standby to hold vehicles if they are officially seized.
		Seizure and forfeiture of property pursuant to the regulations (e.g. trucks) will be initiated upon direction from law enforcement. Parking lots at 1500 Bronson and Charles Tupper building were plowed and ready for use if required by city, however currently not being used. PSPC is on standby.		Feb 21, 2021 Parking lots at 1500 Bronson and Charles Tupper building were plowed and ready for use
Secondary Enforcement Actions	PSPC			

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				if required by city, however currently not being used.
		- Barriers (fencing) around Parliament Hill, Senate buildings and Supreme Court completed as per request from Parliamentary Protective Service and Chief Justice. Additional fencing and barriers installed as requested by Law Enforcement. - Additional barriers (jersey barriers) installed at Rideau and Wellington; Sussex and George; Colonel by and Day; Rideau and William. - As police operations continue to advance, fencing is being adjusted or moved as required. - Provide support to clean-up efforts, which are being undertaken in collaboration with partners.	Ongoing support to city of Ottawa cleanup efforts	Completed Feb 17, 2022: Barriers and fencing Parliament Hill, Senate buildings and Supreme Court Feb 19, 2022 Installed 10,000 linear feet of fencing and 50 jersey barriers at additional locations in support of law enforcement operations Feb 20, 2021 Fencing surrounding Parliament Hill being removed at request of Parliamentary Protective Service Feb 20, 2021 Flame in front of Parliament Hill has been re-ignited at the request of Parliamentary Protective Service Feb 20, 2021 Clean-up of National War Memorial completed
Enforcement with New Authorities EMERGENCY ECONOMIC MEASURES	RCMP	- The A RCMP-led coordination and centralized reporting process is in place to communicate information on designated individuals to financial institutions who have been found to be in contravention of the Order. Solicitor Client Priv.	No new disclosures of information sent to financial institutions. The RCMP have gone back to FIs to advise of the designated entities it no longer believes are engaged in conduct or activities	Completed Feb 16, 2022 Note: Numbers may differ from those released publicly due to reporting timing and disclosure issues. 57 Entities in total reported to financial institutions including: 18 Individuals 39 Vehicles

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			prohibited under the EMR/EEMO.	\$3,018,000 total in Crypto currency and 253 addresses reported including: \$2.4M in 24 Crypto accounts \$618K in 103 bitcoin addresses (\$6k CAD in each) 150 bitcoin addresses of an unknown value. 242 financial products have been frozen or are about to be including: 219 financial products 23 financial products proactively frozen Approximately 33 total reported frozen, however many reports from financial institutions lack dollar values(Note: This amount includes the 33 proactively frozen reported 19 Feb) *Refer to DoF reporting for information on frozen accounts 1 Proactive Disclosure by a Financial Institution Note: the specific number of accounts held by an individual/entity, which are frozen, are not always identified by FIs. Some FIs only disclose that action has been taken on accounts held by an individual/entity. *Data not for public release
		The RCMP has engaged 2 major banks, insurance agents, credit unions, 38 833	*Data not for public release	Occurred Feb 15, 2022

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		crypto currency exchanges to explain the intended operational approach to the new measures and how communications will take place.		
		- Implementing new authorities related to crowdfunding platforms and payment to service providers. - Pre-registry process launched, including a notice to crowdfunding platforms and payment service providers posted on FINTRAC website on how to register and submit suspicious transaction reports. (https://www.fintrac-canafe.gc.ca/intro-eng) - As entities self identify to register, FINTRAC will determine whether they meet the criteria for registration based on the regulations. - Receipt of transmission of information from reporting entities as per the GIC Order, including gathering the necessary information to register entities and provide them access to existing transaction reporting channels as per the Regulations. - Guidance sent to existing and new reporting entities upon publication of the Regulations.	18 pre-registrations, 10 Money Services businesses have updated their registration to reflect new categories of business, and 26 inquiries received (22 Feb).	Completed Feb 15, 2022 18 pre-registration forms received 10 Money Service Business interested in adding provision of payment services to existing registration. 26 inquiries on impact of proclamation (most from small and medium banks)
	FINTRAC	Compliance and intelligence resources have been dedicated to this task and are prepared to triage every suspicious transaction report submitted and disclose to law enforcement and national security when thresholds are met.		Completed (15 feb); No major reallocation of Intel units required to date.
	FINANCE	Engage with financial institutions subject to the <i>Emergency Economic Measures</i> to raise awareness, communicate obligations and address questions.	To date, Financial Services providers have frozen 210 financial products representing approximately \$7.8M (Reported publicly on 22 Feb by FIN officials). Note: Numbers may differ from those released publicly due to timing of data or disclosure issues. To date, Financial Services Providers have frozen: 210 financial products frozen (mix of retail and corporate) \$7.8M approximately 0 known insurance policies suspended *Note: Product numbers derived from RCMP reporting.	

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Additional Measures		Create a crowd-funding host registry.		Engagement ongoing with large banks [REDACTED] small and medium-sized banks, [REDACTED] provincial credit unions [REDACTED] life insurance companies, property, casualty insurance companies.
	IRCC	Support the Public Safety portfolio on the deliberation of any passport-related sanctions as needed for national security reasons, or to process cases where <i>Criminal Code</i> convictions or other actions or offenses are flagged and trigger passport revocation action.		Ongoing
		Continue to advance the Strategic Enforcement Strategy working with other federal departments, provinces, and local authorities.		Complete Law enforcement agencies now leverage suite of authorities: EA/PT laws etc. PS/RCMP with support of PSPC can now execute tow strategy under authorities in place
	TC	Continue to advance the “Tow Truck Strategy” taking into account EA authorities for PS and RCMP, as well as options for procurement of services and/or trucks based on tactical requirements.		Complete February 19, 2022 Tow truck inventory available for assistance in Ottawa TC-RCMP Meeting EA Regs related to towing with Canadian Trucking Alliance, CAA, Private Motor Truck Council, Ontario Recovery Group, Provincial Towing Association of Ontario
		Enhanced inspector activity with industry to ensure operators have necessary security plans and procedures in place and awareness of Emergency Act authorities.		Ongoing TDG inspector consultative support available.

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				Facilitation/liaison role resulted in a ETR Railway (Windsor) voluntarily complying with OPP requests to temporarily cease railway operations in order to protect police and public safety near Huron Church Rd.
		Engage existing stakeholder tables in each mode of transport and FPTs on scope and implications of the order.		Full round of engagement took place week of Feb 14 Feb 19, 2022 Rail Security Working Group Meeting 5 to 6 PM To discuss NOTAM violations currently being investigated (# not for public release).
		Continue to provide support to law enforcement through NOTAMs, Transportation of Dangerous Goods guidance and inspector support if requested.	1 active NOTAMs currently in effect: Ottawa/Gatineau ON/QC	Total of 12 NOTAMs have been used nationally since January 20, 2022: Fredericton, New Brunswick - Fredericton, New Brunswick - Quebec City, Quebec - Ottawa/ Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec - Toronto, Ontario - Windsor, Ontario - Winnipeg, Manitoba - Emerson Manitoba - Milk River, Alberta - Coutts, Alberta - North Portal, Saskatchewan - Northgate, Saskatchewan - Surrey, British Columbia Ongoing
	PS	Engagement conducted with public and private sector stakeholders from to help identify and address questions and concerns relating to the <i>Emergencies Act</i>.		Broad-based consultations completed with representatives from PTs and stakeholders from multiple critical infrastructure sectors.

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		- Continue to provide support to law enforcement through National Capital Region Command Centre as requested. - Buildings remain in restricted access mode in the core of the NCR. - Additional interpretation services provided to support Parliamentary debates.		Ongoing February 18-19 2022, Buildings remain in restricted access mode in the core of the NCR. February 19, 2022 Parliamentary Precinct in Hold and Secure Mode; subsequently lifted and moved to “restricted access-weekend mode.” February 19-20, 2022 Interpretation services provided to support Parliamentary debates. Feb 21, 2022 Hold and Secure order lifted for Parliamentary Precinct and federal building in secure perimeter. Feb 21, 2022 Buildings back on “restricted access-weekend mode.”

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Communications

Product	OPI	Messages
Key Messages for Ministers	PCO	Key Messages for Ministers (February 21, 2022): - For three weeks, blockades illegally disrupted the life of Canadians, harming our economy, and endangering public safety. - We want to thank police officers from all law enforcement agencies who joined the operations and successfully worked on resolving situations across the country and keeping communities safe. - We invoked the Emergencies Act to supplement Provincial and Territorial authorities to address the blockades and occupation to keep Canadians safe, protect people’s jobs, and restore confidence in our institutions. - The Act has strengthened and supported the work by the police. Law enforcement agencies relied on it to set up a secured area in downtown Ottawa, to prevent foreign money from funding illegal blockades, and to make sure our borders remain open. - The Emergencies Act is not something that we undertake lightly and we do not want to use it for a single moment longer than necessary. - We are pleased with the progress that has been made and we are committed to ending this emergency at the earliest opportunity. - Over the past days, we have seen deliberate and professional enforcement action here in Ottawa. There have now been close to 200 arrests, 389 criminal charges laid and a total of 76 vehicles towed. The job is not done yet and work is expected to continue to bring an end to illegal blockades and occupations. - We have also seen progress in implementing finance-related measures under the Emergency Economic Measures Order. Under the powers of the Act, financial Services providers have frozen at least 76 accounts containing approximately \$3.2 million. Additionally, FINTRAC’s pre-registration process is ongoing as it responds to several dozen inquiries received from small and medium-sized banks on the impact of the Emergencies Act orders. - We are calling on everyone to not jeopardize public peace or endanger yourselves or others by participating in purposefully illegal activities. There will be consequences for all criminal behavior related to the ongoing situations in Ottawa and across the country. - As the situation is still fragile, we have to remain vigilant and continue to keep each other safe. More than ever, now is the time to work together.
RCMP Background – Law Enforcement		Law Enforcement Actions under the Economic Emergency Measure Order (Emergencies Act)

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Actions under the Economic Emergency Measure Order	February 21, 2022 RCMP - Over the last three weeks, police services across the country have been responding to unprecedented and unlawful demonstrations, protests, occupations, and acts of civil disobedience. Federal and provincial legislation provides significant authorities and powers to police services to maintain the rule of law, however, the illegal blockades and unlawful protests in Ottawa and across the country have presented unique challenges which have compelled a unique response. - The RCMP echoes policing partners in supporting the fundamental objectives of the invocation of the <i>Emergencies Act</i>, <i>Emergency Measures Regulations</i> and <i>Emergency Economic Measures Order</i>, while still supporting the fundamental rights and freedoms guaranteed to all Canadians. - As the RCMP and law enforcement partners have worked through the operation in Ottawa, we have seen the benefits of the <i>Emergencies Act</i>. Provisions of the Act have granted us the authorities necessary to maintain the perimeter, restrict travel and ensure that we can continue to stop financial support and other assistance for this unlawful protest. - Outside of Ottawa, the most immediate impact of the <i>Emergencies Act</i> has been on public messaging and communication. We believe that the <i>Emergencies Act</i> has been a deterrent for at least some protest groups in how they conduct themselves. The Act has been an additional tool for our Public Liaison Officers who are engaging with groups to seek to minimize disruptions and ensure that protests remain lawful. - The <i>Emergencies Act</i> has also allowed law enforcement and monitoring agencies to work more closely with Canadian financial institutions; enhancing the effectiveness of law enforcement conducting investigations. While it remains the responsibility of the financial institutions to make the decision of freezing accounts, the RCMP is diligently working with our law enforcement and federal partners to disclose relevant information of individuals and companies suspected of involvement in illegal acts. - So far, this effort has culminated in the freezing of 208 financial products; the disclosure of 57 entities; the addresses of 253 Bitcoin shared with virtual currency exchangers; and, the proactive freezing of the account of a payment processor for a value of \$3.8M by a financial institution. (*Comment: The numbers included here reflect release timing and have since been updated by RCMP as listed above in the tracker): - We continue to work at collecting relevant information on persons, vehicles and companies, and remain in daily communication with the financial institutions to assist them. - The RCMP is proud of the professional and collaborative response of Canadian police agencies, including the thousands of RCMP employees – from those on the front lines to those supporting behind the scenes – their collective efforts are working to bring a successful resolution to this unprecedented challenge.
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<i>Emergencies Act Specific Items</i>				
Parliamentary Process	PCO-LHP (Lead) PCO-IGA DOJ	Ongoing	- Once committee is set up, new orders will be reviewed by the committee - The Motion has been tabled and includes the Explanatory Note and Consultation Report and also the Emergency Measures Regulations and the Emergency Economic Measures Order - Invitations starting to be made for committee appearances (Finance, Security, Justice committees). There will likely be a joint committee of Parliament too.	 Section 58 explanation - FINAL explanation - FINAL  Motion for Confirmation of a D  Lettres aux premiers ministres FR.pdf  Letters to Premiers EN.pdf  Gazette.pdf  Consultations under the Emergenc  Consultations en vertu de la Loi sur le  Section 58  Section 58 explanation - FINAL
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When to Lift the Emergencies Act	PCO-S&I (Lead) RCMP Finance	Ongoing	- CSIS assessment that there is nothing that would suggest that the <i>Emergencies Act</i> authorities continue to be needed at this time - PCO to work with departments to develop concrete criteria that could be used to objectively assist the Government in determining the right balance and appropriate time to lift the <i>Emergencies Act</i> order. Criteria would be provided to the Prime Minister and Ministers to inform decision making. - How much notice is required prior to ending the <i>Emergencies Act</i> (i.e. notice to banks and law enforcement agencies) - Require risk analysis should the <i>Emergencies Act</i> be lifted soon	
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Communications specific to the <i>Emergencies Act</i>	PCO-Comms (Lead) DOJ PS	Ongoing	- Support to Ministerial daily media availabilities - Shared messages for Ministers, senior officials - Publication of EA documents on Canada.ca - Explain why the <i>Emergencies Act</i> had to be invoked nationally, as opposed to in specific jurisdictions	The tabled documents on the <i>Emergencies Act</i> have now been posted and are available at the following link: https://www.canada.ca/en/services/policing/emergencies/public-order.html https://www.canada.ca/fr/services/police/urgences/declare-etat.html
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Protocols for Unfreezing Assets	RCMP (Lead) DOJ	Ongoing	• The RCMP committed to advise the table once this could be communicated to banks or publicly and some direction was provided on February 21 • The RCMP has advised financial institutions to unfreeze the accounts of those who have left Ottawa. • Considerations potentially requiring individuals to first go to police for a certificate, similar to what is done in the case of impounded vehicles, and then to present that certificate to the bank to have their assets unfrozen • DPM to speak with banks about ending the <i>Emergencies Act</i>	
Compensation for <i>Emergencies Act</i> Costs	Finance (Lead) DOJ PCO-IGA	Ongoing	s.39	Solicitor-Client Priv.
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Non-Emergencies Act Items				
Communications Plan	PCO-Comms (Lead)	Ongoing	Communications Plan (evergreen) required in order to address ongoing developments	A communications plan was provided at the outset of the events that is now being implemented and adjusted daily.

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Publicizing Enforcement Actions			- Mirror or build upon enforcement information shared as part of the Feb 18 IRG PM Readout. - PCO Comms has been working with RCMP, PS partners and others to amplify and highlight enforcement actions.	 Comms Plan Illegal BlockadesV2.docx
Ongoing Monitoring	PS (Lead) RCMP CBSA CSIS	Ongoing	- Monitor and identify any new protest sites that develop - Monitor new convoys and groups seeking to provide support to those at current protest sites - Monitor the evolving nature of Ideologically Motivated Violent Extremist (IMVE). Also noted that pop-up blockades continue to be a threat. - Monitor potential nation-wide event on March 5, 2022 titled “Freedom Chain” that is calling for people to link arms on the TransCanada highway..	 OSINT SITREP-18 Feb 22.docx  Context for Civil Unrest Following Pa
Implement a Government of Canada public “Tow Truck Strategy”	RCMP (Lead) TC PSPC CAF	Ongoing	- Identify available resources and equipment to support towing operations (e.g., police or CAF members with Class 1 licenses) - Leverage procurement strategies (e.g., leverage preferred suppliers list) - Domestic tow truck support (e.g., Montreal ) - TC to inform FPT table of strategy on 02/15/2022 - After coming into force TC will go out to tow truck working group to inform them of the new measures coming into force and encourage them to utilize them in their operation planning - Sufficient tow truck resources are in place in Ottawa <i>Emergencies Act</i> powers appear to have incentivized tow truck companies to comply, but the power to compel companies has been used twice to compel two tow truck companies who refused to assist	

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Immigration Ban	CBSA (Lead) IRCC GAC	CBSA operational directives to go out after Declaration is signed.	- s.38 - CBSA is drafting operational directives/ bulletins, guidance to POE and inland to go out - Engaging with partners and union to ensure good understanding - Work with airlines to no-board people.	 obo_2022_008_eng. pdf  obo_2022_007_eng. pdf  obo_2022_007_fra.p df  obo_2022_008_fra.p df
Enforcement Strategy	RCMP (Lead) DOJ	Ongoing	Identify tools to ensure that law enforcement takes appropriate advantage of the existing and additional authorities provided to them and that they act to maintain order and enforce the law.	
Support for Ottawa Businesses	FedDev (Lead) FIN ISED		- Options to provide support to Ottawa businesses in the downtown core directly impacted by the illegal blockades. - FedDev Ontario working on proposal and options for delivery. - s.39 Feb 19 announcement of an investment of up to \$20 million to provide non-repayable contributions to Ottawa businesses who have suffered losses due to the illegal blockades and occupations - s.39	s.39
Daily Coordination and Information Sharing	PCO-S&I (Lead) RCMP	Daily	Organize daily DMOC meetings and distribute sit-reps	 SITREP#5 Feb 21.docx
FPT Engagement	PCO-IGA (Lead)	Ongoing	- PT consultations at First Ministers' Meeting, February 14, followed by bilateral engagement at the ministerial level - Prime Minister wrote to premiers on February 15 - FPT DM IGA call on February 15 - Consultations report tabled in the House of Commons February 16 - Public Safety FPT call with Justice, Solicitor General, Transport, and IGA officials on February 16 - FPT DM IGA call on February 17 - Worked to promote Provincial and Territorial implementation of more significant enforcement strategies, like approach taken by Ontario	

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Exercise any available powers under the <i>Not-for-Profit Act</i> to void the convoy being registered under the Act	ISED (Lead)			
Maximize penalties including revocation of licenses, loss of operating certificates and fines for those using private or commercial vehicles in an illegal blockade.	TC (Lead)			
Harden Ports of Entry and Trade Corridors with fencing, barricades, controlled access points and additional personnel (law enforcement or s.38)	CBSA (Lead) RCMP s.38			 Harden POE.docx
Passports	IRCC (Lead) PS		- Minister of IRCC with authority to refuse to issue, cancel, or revoke passports in cases of passport fraud, passport-related criminality, where someone is charged with an indictable offence, when someone is subject to a term of imprisonment in Canada, or where someone has judicially-imposed restrictions on their travel. - Minister of Public Safety authorities to decide that a passport is not to be issued or is to be revoked if they have reasonable grounds to believe that the decision is necessary to prevent the commission of a terrorism offence, as defined in section 2 of the Criminal Code, or for the national security of Canada or a foreign country or state.	
Notice to Airmen (NOTAM)	TC (Lead)	Ongoing		
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